



# State of New Jersey

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RE: L.E. Carpenter Superfund Site  
Wharton, Morris County, New Jersey

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP or Department) has completed a review of the Quarterly Monitoring Report – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2003 dated July 31, 2003. This document was prepared by R.M.T., Inc. on behalf of L.E. Carpenter and Company (LE). NJDEP finds the document to be acceptable provided the following comments are addressed.

## Specific Comments:

The report states that "the area of on-site free product results in a down-gradient halo of dissolved phase contaminants in groundwater that make up a stable (non-expanding) plume". NJDEP requests further clarification regarding this conclusion. As stated in previous NJDEP correspondence, the Department recommends the use of passive diffusion bag samplers in the sediments of the drainage channel and the Rockaway river.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (609) 633-1416.

Sincerely,

  
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